

REMARKS

This amendment is directed to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2007 setting a three month shortened statutory period for response which expired on January 3, 2008. Applicant hereby requests a two month extension of time so as to reset the period for response to expire on March 3, 2008. Claims 43, 62, 63, 84, and 104 have been amended. In view of the amendments above and the remarks below, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application and the allowance of all pending claims.

Claim Objections

Claims 43 and 62 stand objected to for informalities. Each of these claims has been amended so as to overcome these objections as suggested by the examiner.

Rejections under 35 USC 103(a)

Claims 43-124 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as either unpatentable over Ehreth in view of Oishi et al. or in combination of further references Margulis or Rakib. Each of independent claims 43, 63, 84 and 104 have been amended to further recite a limitation that is not found in any of these references. Accordingly these claims, and the claims depending therefrom, are believed to now patentably distinguish over the cited art.

Specifically each independent claim now recites conversion of, or converting, “the at least one digital video channel or the at least one analog video channel from its frequency within the multiplexed channel signal to a predetermined frequency that corresponds to the at least one of the plurality of room interface units, wherein the predetermined frequency is selectable via a programmable converter in the local service module.” It is respectfully submitted that neither Ehreth, Oishi et al, Margulis, nor Rakib disclose a room interface unit as now claimed that has a predetermined frequency associated with it that is selectable through a programmable converter in the local service module. Support for the claim amendments is found in Applicant’s specification particularly on pages 21-22 and 24-25, as well as elsewhere in the specification.


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Claims 43-124 remain pending in this application. This amendment is believed to be responsive to all points in the Office Action such that a Notice of Allowance is believed to be in order. Should issues remain unresolved, the examiner is urged to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone at (303) 685-7460 in order to expeditiously resolve such concerns.

Authorization is hereby given to charge the required extension of time fee in the amount of \$460.00 to the Deposit Account No. 50-2775. The Director is authorized to charge the any additional fee(s) which may be required or any underpayment of fee(s), or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account Number 50-2775. Please ensure that Attorney Docket Number 078700-0080402 is referred to when charging any payments or credits for this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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